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FM AMEMBASSY MANAMA BAHRAIN
TO SECSTATE WASHINGTON DC PRIORITY 3908
INFO CDRDARCOM ALEXANDRIA VA
DA WASHINGTON DC
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SUBJECT : FMS CASE DA BAHRAIN YUQ

REF : (A) MANAMA 1906 DTG 161316Z NOV 76
(B) CDRARMCOM ROCK ISLAND IL DTG 022140Z DEC 76
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(C) CDRDARCOM ALEX VA DTG 021935Z DEC 76 (NOT SENT SECSTA
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1. REF B STATES THAT ROCKETS ARE ON THEIR WAY, VIA MAC FLIGHT,
TO BAHRAIN DEFENSE FORCE.

2. REF C REQUESTS "ADVICE OF COUNTRY'S DESIRE TO RETAIN SUBJECT
CASES AS CURRENTLY ESTABLISHED UNDER UNITED KINGDOM, WITH MATERIEL
CONSIGNED TO BAHRAIN AND BILLING TO BE ACCOMPLISHED THROUGH
THE CROWN AGENTS".

3. REF A REQUESTED DEPT. CLARIFICATION OF ROLE OF EMBASSY IN
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COLLECTING UPWARDLY REVISED COSTS OF FMS SHIPMENT.

4. COMMENT: SINCE THE BAHRAIN DEFENSE FORCE (BDF) HAS MADE IT CLEAR THAT IT WANTS THE SHIPMENT (MANAMA 1782 DTG 061118Z NOV 76), AND HAS PRESUMEDLY PAID THE ORIGINAL BILL THROUGH THE CROWN AGENTS, IT SEEMS TO US UNNECESSARY TO RAISE QUESTION REQUESTED REF B, NAMELY THAT OF ROLE OF CROWN AGENT. IN FUTURE TRANSACTIONS, AS WE HAVE STATED IN PREVIOUS MESSAGES, WE WOULD HOPE THAT CROWN AGENT MIDDLEMAN ROLE WOULD BE ELIMINATED, BUT TO TAKE INITIATIVE IN THIS CASE APPEARS INAPPROPRIATE. EMBASSY THEREFORE SUGGESTS THAT BILLING BE ACCOMPLISHED THROUGH THE CROWN AGENTS.

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